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Cc: Andy Sondag

Subject: Re: Citizens Gas and Electric

Date: Wednesday, April 15, 2020 1:18:52 PM
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Cathie and Brittany,

I am the attorney for T & A Real Estate, LLC. We are in receipt of the letter dated March 26, 2020 regarding the Citizens Gas & Electric Company Superfund Site in Council Bluffs, Iowa and classification of T & A Real Estate, LLC as a potentially responsible party.

We believe that T & A Real Estate, LLC is entitled to numerous defenses to liability, including status as an innocent landowner and limited ability to pay.

Notwishstanding those defenses, we are willing to participate in negotiations and cooperate with the group's efforts and discussions. If there is anything we can do to assist, please let me know.

We've also mailed the attached letter to Mary Peterson.

Thanks,

Daniel P. Fischer

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April 7, 2020

Ms. Mary P. Peterson United States Environmental Protection Agency 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, KS 66219

Re: Response to General Notice Letter for Citizens Gas & Electric Company Superfund Site in Council Bluffs, IA (IAD984589093)

Dear Ms. Petersen:

Please be advised that I represent T & A Real Estate, LLC. We are in receipt of your letter dated March 26, 2020 regarding the Citizens Gas & Electric Company Superfund Site in Council Bluffs, Iowa and classification of T & A Real Estate, LLC as a potentially responsible party. We believe that T & A Real Estate, LLC is entitled to numerous defenses to liability, including but not limited to status as an innocent landowner and limited ability to pay.

We are happy to cooperate with EPA efforts and discussions. If there is anything we can do to assist, please let me know.

Respectfully submitted,

Kohorst & Fischer Law Firm, PLLC By: Daniel P. Fischer Andy -

See below email just received from EPA.

I emailed you 3-27-20 and 4-1-20 about this matter. Trusting you have contacted an attorney and you should promptly forward this email to that counsel so he/she can respond.

Thanks and advise back if questions.

- PAS

From: Chiccine, Catherine

Sent: Wednesday, April 15, 2020 9:38 AM **To:** sondaglaw@pas1.omhcoxmail.com **Subject:** Citizens Gas and Electric

Mr. Sondag,

I hope you are staying healthy and safe. I just wanted to touch base with you regarding the Citizens Gas and Electric letter I sent you. Is T&A Real Estate going to participate in the negotiation? Please let me know at your earliest convenience. You may want to contact Brittany Barrientos, Black Hills' attorney, regarding coordination of response and redlines to the draft ASAOC EPA sent. Her contact information is:

Brittany A. Barrientos

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